



THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE
ON SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS
Washington 25, D. C.

January 18, 1958

Office of the Chairman

Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

We are most happy to know from Dr. Killian that you can be with us at Yale University on February 3 as dinner speaker for the conference on "America's Human Resources to Meet the Scientific Challenge."

Your participation will round out a very impressive program examining the competitive position of the United States in world science and technology.

The conference will bring together some 100 key representatives of science, education, industry, government, and the nation's mass communications media.

A major purpose is to help create public understanding of the determined effort necessary to meet long-term science requirements. We hope that one of the results will be wider recognition of the fact that the problems confronting the nation will not be solved by government alone; they demand public understanding and action.

The conference will provide, we feel, a unique opportunity for you to reach personally a vital group of American opinion-makers, and to impress on the American people the importance of the statement by the President in his State of the Union message:

"... What makes the Soviet threat unique in history is its all-inclusiveness. Every human activity is pressed into service as a weapon of expansion. Trade, economic development, military power, arts, science, education, the whole world of ideas -- all are harnessed to this same chariot of expansion."

Let me express again the appreciation of the President's Committee on Scientists and Engineers and of the William Benton Foundation that you will be with us in New Haven.

I am attaching a copy of the conference agenda.

Sincerely,

/s/

Howard L. Bevis
Chairman

Enclosure

Conference on
"AMERICA'S HUMAN RESOURCES TO MEET THE WORLD SCIENTIFIC CHALLENGE"
Yale University, February 3-4, 1958

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Morning Session

- 9:45 a.m. Assembly
- 10:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks:
Dr. A. Whitney Griswold, President
Yale University
- 10:30 a.m. Opening Address:
Dr. James R. Killian, Jr., Advisor to President
Eisenhower on Science and Technology

12:30 p.m. Luncheon Session

Luncheon Address: "Science -- The Open Door"
Dr. Alan T. Waterman, Director
National Science Foundation

Afternoon Session

2:00 p.m. Round Table Discussions

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| 1. Understanding the Nature of the Soviet Threat | 4. The Economic Implications of an Adequate Science Program |
| 2. The Scientific Revolution: Challenge and Promise
Dr. Harrison Brown, chairman | 5. Technological Requirements of the Free World and the Uncommitted Countries
Mr. Eric Johnston, chairman |
| 3. Educating Future Scientists in a Rounded Educational System
Senator Lister Hill, chairman | 6. Public Understanding of the Scientist |

Dinner Session

- 6:15 p.m. Reception
- 7:15 p.m. Dinner Address:
Mr. Allen Dulles, Director
Central Intelligence Agency

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:30 a.m.

Morning Session

Breakfast Address: "The Dynamics of Public Action"
Mr. William Benton, President
The Benton Foundation

9:45 a.m.

Assembly

10:00 a.m.

Round Table Discussions

1. Conserving Our Rarest Resources--
Creative Talent

Dr. Eric A. Walker, chairman

3. The Coming Crisis on the Campus--
Maintaining Standards with
Increasing Enrollments

Dr. Cornelius de Kiewiet,
chairman

2. Forty Million Growing Minds -- The
Quality of Elementary and Secondary
Education

4. Advanced Training for Superior
Talent -- Graduate Education and
Research

Dr. Paul Gross, chairman

12:30 p.m.

Luncheon Session

Luncheon Address: "Education in the Age of Science"
Dr. Lee A. DuBridge, President
California Institute of Technology